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From: Davis, Tim
Sent: Wed 8/12/2015 8:53:19 PM
Subject: RE: ACTION: on ongoing field work at mines

Thanks, Jeff! Whenever you'd like to leave for the day, I can take over the website updates. We're still waiting for approval for several proposed changes that I submitted for the home page (just FYI).

Thanks,

Tim

From: Morin, Jeff
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2015 2:50 PM
To: Colaizzi, Jennifer C.; Hart, Daniel
Cc: Davis, Tim
Subject: RE: ACTION: on ongoing field work at mines

Posted on the site.

Linked in the right-side text box on GKM home.

+Tim so he will see I made updates.

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From: Colaizzi, Jennifer C.
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2015 4:27 PM
To: Morin, Jeff; Hart, Daniel
Subject: ACTION: on ongoing field work at mines

Post to website as Administrator statement

While we continue to investigate the root causes of last week's release of mining waste at the Gold King Mine in Colorado, we are instructing our Regions to immediately cease any field investigation work at mines including tailings facilities, unless there is imminent risk in a specific case. We are in the process of initiating an independent assessment by a sister federal agency or another external entity to examine the factors that led to last week's incident. Based on the outcome from that assessment, we will determine what actions may be necessary to avoid similar incidents at other sites. While we stand down on existing field investigations and assessments at these mining sites, we also are instructing our Regions to identify existing sites with similarities to the Gold King Mine site and to identify any immediate threats and consider appropriate response actions.